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BUILDING STATISTICS - TASMANIA - SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1953.

The Deputy Commonwealth Statistician (Mr. J.C. Stephen) has made available the following particulars of Building Statistics for the quarter ended 30th September, 1953, together with comparable data for preceding periods.

1. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED.

A statement of definitions of terms used will be found on page 11.

2. SUMMARY FOR QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1953.

Statistics of building operations for the quarter ended September, 1953, show that:-

1. The number of houses completed is the lowest since June Quarter 1949; however,, commencements were 159 more than during June quarter 1953 (See table page 3).

2. The value of new buildings (other than houses) commenced showed a small decrease whilst the value of those completed fell by £158,000 or 17.3 per cent. (See table page 7.)

3. The value of work done on all new buildings (including houses) during September quarter 1953 increased by £203,000 or 7.8 per cent.

This increase was mainly due to the greater volume of work done on uncompleted factories (See summary table page 9).

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUILDINGS, TASMANIA, SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1953.

| Description of Building and Construction Agency. | Commenced during September Quarter 1953. | | Completed during September Quarter 1953. | | Under Construction at 30th Sept. '53. | | Value of Work done during September Qtr. 1953 |
|--|--|-----------------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---|
| | No. of Bldgs. | Value (a) £'000 | No. of Bldgs. | Value (a) £'000 | No. of Bldgs. | Value (a) £'000 | |
| 1. Houses (b) | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 220 | 574 | 203 | 550 | 451 | 1,314 | 592 |
| On Govt. A/c. | 121 | 295 | 102 | 268 | 219 | 605 | 259 |
| (ii) Govt. Day Labour | 71 | 183 | 74 | 184 | 172 | 430 | 193 |
| (iii) Owner-Builders | 271 | 583 | 229 | 525 | 1,347 | 3,121 | 722 |
| <u>Total Houses:</u> | 683 | 1,635 | 608 | 1,527 | 2,189 | 5,470 | 1,766 |
| 2. Flats (c) | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 16 | 40 | | | 17 | 46 | 12 |
| 3. Shops with Dwellings | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 2 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 12 | 50 | 7 |
| 4. Shops w/out Dwellings | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 13 | 69 | 4 | 8 | 20 | 133 | 33 |
| On Govt. A/c. | 1 | 5 | | | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| 5. Hotels, Guest Houses | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | | | | | 2 | 103 | 6 |
| On Govt. A/c. | 1 | 9 | 1 | 77 | 2 | 30 | 25 |
| 6. Factories - | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 3 | 10 | 9 | 131 | 23 | 1,109 | 148 |
| On Govt. A/c. | | | 1 | 25 | 7 | 1,248 | 463 |
| 7. Other New Buildings | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 26 | 100 | 29 | 185 | 49 | 363 | 89 |
| On Govt. A/c. | 22 | 83 | 15 | 272 | 52 | 2,185 | 235 |
| (ii) Govt. Day Labour | 1 | 3 | 8 | 53 | 4 | 262 | 9 |
| <u>Total Other New Buildings:</u> | 85 | 327 | 69 | 756 | 189 | 5,534 | 1,028 |
| <u>All new Buildings</u> | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ptc. Contractors | | | | | | | |
| On Ptc. A/c. | 280 | 801 | 247 | 879 | 574 | 3,118 | 887 |
| On Govt. A/c. | 145 | 392 | 119 | 642 | 281 | 4,073 | 983 |
| (ii) Govt. Day Labour | 72 | 186 | 82 | 237 | 176 | 692 | 202 |
| (iii) Owner-Builders | 271 | 583 | 229 | 525 | 1,347 | 3,121 | 722 |
| <u>GRAND TOTAL:</u> | 768 | 1,962 | 677 | 2,283 | 2,378 | 11,004 | 2,794 |

(a) When completed, excluding cost of land on which building is erected.

(b) Converted army huts excluded.

(c) Number indicates number of individual flats provided as new buildings.

Persons employed on jobs as at end of September, 1953, as reported by builders, are shown in various categories in the following table. Comparative details for earlier periods will be found on Page 10.

PERSONS (a) ACTUALLY WORKING ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS IN TASMANIA AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1953.

| Grade of Occupation | No. | Type of Occupation | No. | Work Engaged on. | No. |
|---------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
| Contractors | 834 | Carpenters | 2,946 | New Buildings | |
| Sub-Contractors | 573 | Bricklayers | 381 | Houses | 2,808 |
| Wage Earners | 4,447 | Painters | 355 | Other New Buildings | 1,653 |
| | | Electricians | 179 | Additions & Alterations (b) | |
| | | Plumbers | 274 | Houses | 547 |
| | | Builders' | | Other Buildings | 464 |
| | | Labourers | 1,113 | Repairs & Maintenance (b) | 382 |
| | | Others | 606 | | |
| <u>Total:</u> | 5,854 | <u>Total:</u> | 5,854 | <u>Total:</u> | 5,854 |

- (a) Includes estimate for persons working on owner-built jobs.
 (b) Excludes principals and their employees engaged solely on alterations, additions and maintenance work.

3. NEW HOUSES.

1. NEW HOUSES COMPLETED:

During the quarter ended 30th September 1953, 608 new houses were completed compared with 718 in the June quarter and 704 in the March quarter 1953. The number of completions during the September quarter in preceding years were 1946 - 260; 1947 - 366; 1948 - 545; 1949 - 620; 1950 - 1038; 1951 - 1071 and 1952 - 909.

The 608 new houses completed during the September quarter, 1953, comprised 99 brick, concrete etc., 47 brick, concrete etc., veneers, 338 wood, 98 prefabricated wood, and 26 fibro-cement.

During the quarter 2 new dwellings were provided by the construction of shops with dwellings.

Of the 20,067 houses completed since September 1945, 4,999 or 24.9 per cent were of brick, concrete etc., and 15,068 or 75.1 per cent of wood etc., material.

The average recorded value of each house completed in Tasmania during the September quarter 1953 was £3,424 for brick, concrete etc., £2,236 for each house of wood and £2,000 for each fibro-cement house.

The corresponding values in June quarter 1953 were £3,116 for brick, concrete etc., £2,134 for wood and £1589 for fibro-cement.

2. NEW HOUSES COMMENCED:

The number of new houses commenced during the September quarter 1953 was 683, an increase of 159 compared with June quarter.

Since July 1945 a total of 22,207 new houses has been commenced in Tasmania.

NEW HOUSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION:

The number of new houses under construction at 30th September, 1953, was 2,114 an increase of 75, compared with the June quarter figure of 2,114. Corresponding figures as at 30th September in previous years are as follows - 1952 - 2808; 1951 - 3584; 1950 - 3280; 1949 - 2804; 1948 - 2166; 1947 - 1701 and 1946 - 1144. The houses under construction at 30th September 1953 were distributed according to materials of outer walls as follows - Solid brick, concrete etc., 524 (23.9%); veneers 223 (10.2%); wood 1242 (56.7%); prefabricated wood 109 (5.0%); and fibro-cement 91 (4.2%).

The following table shows, in summary form, the number of houses commenced, completed and under construction for the years 1945-46 - 1952-53 and by quarters since 1950-51.

NEW HOUSES - TASMANIA.

| Period | Commenced | | Completed | | Under Construction at end of Period | |
|------------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|---|----------------|
| | No. | Value £'000 | No. | Value £'000 | No. | Value £'000 |
| 1945-46 | 1,316 (a) | 1,100 (a) | 479 | 453 | 1,013 | 1,066 |
| 1946-47 | 1,642 | 1,854 | 1,070 | 1,137 | 1,557 | 1,802 |
| 1947-48 | 2,062 | 2,603 | 1,544 | 1,741 | 2,065 | 2,742 |
| 1948-49 | 2,849 | 3,937 | 2,287 | 2,992 | 2,575 | 3,802 |
| 1949-50 | 3,664 | 5,839 | 2,852 | 4,185 | 3,357 | 5,652 |
| 1950-51 | 4,122 | 7,473 | 3,914 | 6,726 | 3,558 | 7,090 |
| 1951-52 | 3,584 | 7,651 | 3,999 | 8,167 | 3,143 | 7,220 |
| 1952-53 | 2,285 | 5,322 | 3,314 | 7,590 | 2,114 | 5,298 |
| 1950-51 - | | | | | | |
| September Qr. | 968 | 1,635 | 1,038 | 1,612 | 3,280 | 5,804 |
| December Qr. | 1,037 | 1,809 | 870 | 1,485 | 3,447 | 6,257 |
| March Qr. | 1,031 | 1,892 | 966 | 1,730 | 3,512 | 6,385 |
| June Qr. | 1,086 | 2,137 | 1,040 | 1,899 | 3,558 | 7,090 |
| 1951-52 - | | | | | | |
| September Qr. | 1,097 | 2,260 | 1,071 | 2,102 | 3,584 | 7,513 |
| December Qr. | 1,016 | 2,202 | 1,336 | 2,663 | 3,264 | 7,243 |
| March Qr. | 787 | 1,667 | 705 | 1,519 | 3,346 | 7,595 |
| June Qr. | 684 | 1,522 | 887 | 1,883 | 3,143 | 7,220 |
| 1952-53 - | | | | | | |
| September Qr. | 574 | 1,302 | 909 | 1,994 | 2,808 | 6,712 |
| December Qr. | 492 | 1,115 | 983 | 2,184 | 2,317 | 5,667 |
| March Qr. | 695 | 1,618 | 701 | 1,723 | 2,308 | 5,599 |
| June Qr. | 524 | 1,280 | 718 | 1,689 | 2,114 | 5,298 |
| 1953-54 - | | | | | | |
| September Qr. | 683 | 1,635 | 608 | 1,527 | 2,189 | 5,470 |
| Total Since 1/7/45: | 22,207 | 37,414 | 20,067 | 34,518 | --- | --- |

(a) Estimated; actual figures not collected.

The total number of dwellings according to type, completed and under construction is set out in the following table:-

CONSTRUCTION OF DWELLING, ACCORDING TO TYPE-TASMANIA.

| Period | Private Houses | | | | New Flats (Dwellings units (b)) | Shops with Dwell- ings | Total |
|---|-------------------------------|--------|------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | Brick Concrete etc. (a) | Wood | Fibro. Cement | Other | | | |
| Number of Dwellings completed. | | | | | | | |
| 1945-46 | 111 | 356 | 12 | - | - | 2 | 481 |
| 1946-47 | 296 | 756 | 14 | 4 | 21 | 8 | 1,099 |
| 1947-48 | 373 | 1,127 | 41 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 1,556 |
| 1948-49 | 534 | 1,606 | 140 | 7 | 25 | 28 | 2,340 |
| 1949-50 | 722 | 1,955 | 165 | 10 | 24 | 18 | 2,894 |
| 1950-51 | 959 | 2,741 | 208 | 6 | 18 | 21 | 3,953 |
| 1951-52 | 982 | 2,697 | 312 | 8 | 20 | 28 | 4,047 |
| 1952-53 | 876 | 2,189 | 247 | 2 | 14 | 13 | 3,341 |
| 1952-53 Dec. Qtr. | 276 | 626 | 81 | - | 4 | 2 | 989 |
| Mar. Qtr. | 217 | 442 | 44 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 713 |
| June Qtr. | 181 | 498 | 38 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 724 |
| 1953-54 Sep. Qtr. | 146 | 436 | 26 | - | - | 2 | 610 |
| Total since 1/7/45: | 4,999 | 14,863 | 1,165 | 40 | 126 | 128 | 20,321 |
| Number of dwellings under Construction. | | | | | | | |
| 30th June 1946 | 301 | 698 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 6 | 1,029 |
| " " 1947 | 474 | 1,058 | 23 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 1,569 |
| " " 1948 | 633 | 1,355 | 74 | 3 | 20 | 14 | 2,099 |
| " " 1949 | 862 | 1,578 | 134 | 1 | 27 | 15 | 2,617 |
| " " 1950 | 1,124 | 2,067 | 155 | 11 | 17 | 13 | 3,387 |
| " " 1951 | 1,135 | 2,229 | 192 | 2 | 17 | 19 | 3,594 |
| " " 1952 | 1,087 | 1,881 | 174 | 1 | 12 | 15 | 3,170 |
| 30th June 1953 | 732 | 1,289 | 93 | - | 1 | 6 | 2,121 |
| 30th Sep. 1953 | 747 | 1,351 | 91 | - | 17 | 12 | 2,218 |

(a) Includes Veneers.

(b) Conversions into Flats are excluded.

PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION & AVERAGE RECORDED VALUE OF EACH TYPE OF NEW HOUSE - TASMANIA.

| Period | Percentage Distribution | | | | | | Average Recorded values of New Houses completed (c) | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---|-----------|---------------------|
| | Completed | | | Under Construction at end of period. | | | | | |
| | Brick (a) % | Wood % | Fibro. etc. (b) % | Brick (a) % | Wood % | Fibro. etc. (b) % | Brick (a) £ | Wood £ | Fibro. (b). £ |
| 1945-46 | 23.2 | 74.3 | 2.5 | 29.7 | 68.9 | 1.4 | 1,252 | 857 | 750 |
| 1946-47 | 27.7 | 70.6 | 1.7 | 30.4 | 68.0 | 1.6 | 1,392 | 939 | 833 |
| 1947-48 | 24.2 | 73.0 | 2.8 | 30.6 | 65.6 | 3.8 | 1,582 | 988 | 841 |
| 1948-49 | 23.4 | 70.2 | 6.4 | 33.5 | 61.3 | 5.2 | 1,830 | 1,183 | 782 |
| 1949-50 | 25.3 | 68.6 | 6.1 | 33.5 | 61.6 | 4.9 | 2,012 | 1,315 | 926 |
| 1950-51 | 24.5 | 70.0 | 5.5 | 31.9 | 62.6 | 5.5 | 2,340 | 1,554 | 1,037 |
| 1951-52 | 24.6 | 67.4 | 8.0 | 34.6 | 59.9 | 5.6 | 2,637 | 1,862 | 1,419 |
| 1952-53 | 26.4 | 66.1 | 7.5 | 34.6 | 60.9 | 4.5 | 3,053 | 2,058 | 1,642 |
| 1952-53 Sept. Qtr. | 22.2 | 68.5 | 9.3 | 37.2 | 57.3 | 5.5 | 3,054 | 1,996 | 1,583 |
| Dec. Qtr. | 28.1 | 63.7 | 8.2 | 38.5 | 56.3 | 5.2 | 2,808 | 2,046 | 1,580 |
| Mar. Qtr. | 30.8 | 62.8 | 6.4 | 34.4 | 61.1 | 4.5 | 3,313 | 2,077 | 1,911 |
| June Qtr. | 25.2 | 69.3 | 5.4 | 34.6 | 60.9 | 4.5 | 3,116 | 2,134 | 1,589 |
| 1953-54 Sept. Qtr. | 24.0 | 71.7 | 4.3 | 34.1 | 61.7 | 4.2 | 3,424 | 2,236 | 2,000 |

(a) Includes Stone, Concrete and Veneers.

(b) Fibro-Cement and Other.

(c) Average value is obtained by dividing total number of houses completed into the total value of houses completed as stated by builders. As averages they relate to houses of the size and standard completed in the relevant period, and cannot be regarded as an index of the cost of erecting houses of a particular size or standard.

4. NEW HOUSES ACCORDING TO MUNICIPALITIES:

Particulars of building permits issued for houses, and the number and values of houses commenced, completed and under construction, according to local government areas, are shown for September quarter, 1953, in the next two tables:

A. SUMMARY: BUILDING PERMITS GRANTED & CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HOUSES, SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1953.

| Area | Building Permits granted during quarter. | | Commenced during Quarter. | | Completed during Quarter. | | Under Construction at end of Quarter. | |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| | No. | Value (a) | No. | Value (a) | No. | Value (a) | No. | Value (a) |
| | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 |
| Hobart, City | 60 | 228 | 68 | 194 | 50 | 179 | 220 | 688 |
| Hobart, Suburbs - | | | | | | | | |
| Clarence (b) | 118 | 318 | 119 | 314 | 106 | 266 | 375 | 1,000 |
| Kingborough (b) | 16 | 66 | 15 | 41 | 15 | 52 | 66 | 170 |
| Glenorchy | 55 | 143 | 70 | 178 | 71 | 178 | 280 | 713 |
| <u>Total Suburbs:</u> | 189 | 527 | 204 | 533 | 192 | 496 | 721 | 1,889 |
| <u>Total Hobart and Suburbs:</u> | 255 | 755 | 272 | 727 | 248 | 675 | 941 | 2,577 |
| Launceston City | 38 | 109 | 49 | 118 | 62 | 171 | 153 | 391 |
| Launceston Suburbs (b) - | | | | | | | | |
| Beaconsfield | 19 | 43 | 13 | 31 | 10 | 28 | 43 | 121 |
| Evandale | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Lilydale | 60 | 157 | 60 | 153 | 5 | 11 | 81 | 205 |
| St. Leonards | 27 | 63 | 9 | 28 | 27 | 67 | 49 | 131 |
| Westbury | 6 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 9 |
| <u>Total Suburbs:</u> | 113 | 275 | 85 | 216 | 46 | 114 | 180 | 468 |
| <u>Total Launceston and Suburbs:</u> | 151 | 384 | 134 | 334 | 108 | 285 | 333 | 859 |
| All other Areas (c) | 287 | 575 | 277 | 574 | 252 | 567 | 915 | 2,034 |
| <u>Total Tasmania (c)</u> | 693 | 1,714 | 683 | 1,635 | 608 | 1,527 | 2,189 | 5,470 |

(a) Value when completed.

(b) Suburban areas only of these Municipalities.

(c) Excluding building permit details for those Municipalities which do not require a permit to build.

(Including Owner-built Houses).

| Statistical Divisions and Local Government Areas. | Building Per- mits granted during Qtr. | | Commenced during Quarter. | | Completed during Quarter | | Under Construct- ion at end of Quarter. | |
|---|--|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| | No. | Value (a) | No. | Value (a) | No. | Value (a) | No. | Value (a) |
| URBAN DIVISION: | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 |
| Hobart, City | 66 | 228 | 68 | 194 | 56 | 179 | 220 | 688 |
| " Suburbs | 189 | 527 | 204 | 533 | 192 | 496 | 721 | 1,889 |
| Launceston, City | 38 | 109 | 49 | 118 | 62 | 171 | 153 | 391 |
| " Suburbs | 113 | 275 | 85 | 216 | 46 | 114 | 180 | 468 |
| Total Urban Division: | 406 | 1,139 | 406 | 1,061 | 356 | 960 | 1,274 | 3,436 |
| NORTH-WESTERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Burnie | 24 | 52 | 14 | 38 | 26 | 63 | 74 | 176 |
| Circular Head | 18 | 42 | 11 | 26 | 9 | 17 | 28 | 71 |
| Deloraine | 11 | 23 | 6 | 17 | 8 | 25 | 11 | 31 |
| Devonport | 39 | 95 | 36 | 82 | 29 | 19 | 121 | 276 |
| Kentish | 2 | 4 | 10 | 19 | 6 | 15 | 14 | 23 |
| King Island | 4 | 7 | 9 | 27 | | | 10 | 29 |
| Latrobe | 2 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 10 | 13 | 30 |
| Penguin | 13 | 26 | 11 | 24 | 9 | 13 | 20 | 42 |
| Ulverstone | 18 | 28 | 10 | 16 | 13 | 27 | 36 | 64 |
| Wynyard | 5 | 11 | 10 | 19 | 12 | 24 | 29 | 54 |
| Total North-Western Div: | 136 | 292 | 120 | 276 | 116 | 263 | 356 | 796 |
| NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Beaconsfield (b) | 12 | 23 | 15 | 26 | 10 | 17 | 58 | 102 |
| Fingal | 2 | 5 | 16 | 23 | 17 | 25 | 14 | 34 |
| Flinders | 3 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 12 |
| George Town | 3 | 5 | 8 | 26 | 6 | 26 | 42 | 154 |
| Lilydale (b) | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| Portland | 6 | 6 | | | 3 | 21 | 6 | 12 |
| Ringarooma | 2 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| Scottsdale | 8 | 24 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 11 | 13 | 39 |
| Total North-Eastern Div: | 38 | 78 | 46 | 94 | 47 | 118 | 143 | 365 |
| NORTH-MIDLAND DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Evandale (b) | - | - | 16 | 27 | 10 | 19 | 16 | 28 |
| Longford | 14 | 27 | 16 | 33 | 6 | 12 | 30 | 58 |
| St. Leonards (b) | 4 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 30 | 67 |
| Westbury (b) | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 31 |
| Total North-Midland Div: | 21 | 40 | 35 | 66 | 22 | 46 | 90 | 184 |
| MIDLAND DIVISION. | | | | | | | | |
| Bothwell | 1 | 2 | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Campbell Town | 3 | 7 | | | | | 7 | 15 |
| Hamilton | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | | | 11 | 39 |
| Oatlands | 3 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 12 |
| Ross | - | - | 3 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 16 |
| Total Midland Division: | 8 | 18 | 8 | 18 | 3 | 6 | 29 | 84 |
| SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Brighton (c) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Clarence (b) | 24 | 60 | 28 | 52 | 20 | 50 | 84 | 170 |
| Glamorgan | 7 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 15 |
| Green Ponds (c) | - | - | | | | | | |
| Richmond (c) | - | - | 1 | 5 | - | - | 2 | 7 |
| Sorell | 17 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 21 | 27 |
| Spring Bay | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 14 |
| Total South-Eastern Div: | 50 | 81 | 45 | 76 | 36 | 72 | 122 | 233 |
| SOUTHERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Bruny | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 4 |
| Espérance | 6 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Huon | 4 | 7 | 7 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 32 |
| Kingborough (b) | 13 | 39 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 27 | 47 |
| New Norfolk | 4 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 21 | 42 | 82 |
| Port Cygnet | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Tasman | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 3 | 4 |
| Total Southern Division: | 34 | 66 | 20 | 40 | 15 | 30 | 93 | 179 |
| WESTERN DIVISION. | | | | | | | | |
| Queenstown | - | - | 2 | 3 | 11 | 28 | 3 | 5 |
| Strahan | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Zeehan | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 79 | 188 |
| Total Western Division: | - | - | 3 | 4 | 13 | 32 | 82 | 193 |
| Total Country Divisions | 287 | 575 | 277 | 574 | 252 | 567 | 915 | 2,034 |
| TOTAL TASMANIA (d) | 693 | 1,714 | 683 | 1,635 | 608 | 1,527 | 2,189 | 5,470 |

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| | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 |
| Hobart, City | 60 | 228 | 68 | 194 | 50 | 179 | 220 | 688 |
| Hobart, Suburbs - | | | | | | | | |
| Clarence (b) | 118 | 318 | 119 | 314 | 106 | 266 | 375 | 1,000 |
| Kingborough (b) | 16 | 66 | 15 | 41 | 15 | 52 | 66 | 176 |
| Glenorchy | 55 | 143 | 70 | 173 | 71 | 178 | 280 | 713 |
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|---|--|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
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| URBAN DIVISION: | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 | | £'000 |
| Hobart, City | 66 | 228 | 68 | 194 | 56 | 179 | 220 | 688 |
| " Suburbs | 189 | 527 | 204 | 533 | 192 | 496 | 721 | 1,889 |
| Launceston, City | 38 | 109 | 49 | 118 | 62 | 171 | 153 | 391 |
| " Suburbs | 113 | 275 | 85 | 216 | 46 | 114 | 180 | 468 |
| Total Urban Division: | 406 | 1,139 | 406 | 1,061 | 356 | 960 | 1,274 | 3,436 |
| NORTH-WESTERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Burnie | 24 | 52 | 14 | 38 | 26 | 63 | 74 | 176 |
| Circular Head | 18 | 42 | 11 | 26 | 9 | 17 | 28 | 71 |
| Deloraine | 11 | 23 | 6 | 17 | 8 | 25 | 11 | 31 |
| Devonport | 39 | 95 | 36 | 82 | 29 | 19 | 121 | 276 |
| Kentish | 2 | 4 | 10 | 19 | 6 | 15 | 14 | 23 |
| King Island | 4 | 7 | 9 | 27 | | | 10 | 29 |
| Latrobe | 2 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 10 | 13 | 30 |
| Penguin | 13 | 26 | 11 | 24 | 9 | 13 | 20 | 42 |
| Ulverstone | 18 | 28 | 10 | 16 | 13 | 27 | 36 | 64 |
| Wynyard | 5 | 11 | 10 | 19 | 12 | 24 | 29 | 54 |
| Total North-Western Div: | 136 | 292 | 120 | 276 | 116 | 263 | 356 | 796 |
| NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Baconsfield (b) | 12 | 23 | 15 | 26 | 10 | 17 | 58 | 102 |
| Fingal | 2 | 5 | 16 | 23 | 17 | 25 | 14 | 34 |
| Flinders | 3 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 12 |
| George Town | 3 | 5 | 8 | 26 | 6 | 26 | 42 | 154 |
| Lilydale (b) | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| Portland | 6 | 6 | | | 3 | 21 | 6 | 12 |
| Ringarooma | 2 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| Scottsdale | 8 | 24 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 11 | 13 | 39 |
| Total North-Eastern Div: | 38 | 78 | 46 | 94 | 47 | 118 | 143 | 365 |
| NORTH-MIDLAND DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Evandale (b) | - | - | 16 | 27 | 10 | 19 | 16 | 28 |
| Longford | 14 | 27 | 16 | 33 | 6 | 12 | 30 | 58 |
| St. Leonards (b) | 4 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 30 | 67 |
| Westbury (b) | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 31 |
| Total North-Midland Div: | 21 | 40 | 35 | 66 | 22 | 46 | 90 | 184 |
| MIDLAND DIVISION. | | | | | | | | |
| Bothwell | 1 | 2 | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Campbell Town | 3 | 7 | | | | | 7 | 15 |
| Hamilton | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | | | 11 | 39 |
| Oatlands | 3 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 12 |
| Ross | - | - | 3 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 16 |
| Total Midland Division: | 8 | 18 | 8 | 18 | 3 | 6 | 29 | 84 |
| SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Brighton (c) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Clarence (b) | 24 | 60 | 28 | 52 | 20 | 50 | 84 | 170 |
| Glamorgan | 7 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 15 |
| Green Ponds (c) | - | - | | | | | | |
| Richmond (c) | - | - | 1 | 5 | - | - | 2 | 7 |
| Sorell | 17 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 21 | 27 |
| Spring Bay | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 14 |
| Total South-Eastern Div: | 50 | 81 | 45 | 76 | 36 | 72 | 122 | 233 |
| SOUTHERN DIVISION | | | | | | | | |
| Bruny | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 4 |
| Espérance | 6 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Huon | 4 | 7 | 7 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 14 | 32 |
| Kingborough (b) | 13 | 39 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 27 | 47 |
| New Norfolk | 4 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 21 | 42 | 82 |
| Port Cygnet | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Tasman | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 3 | 4 |
| Total Southern Division: | 34 | 66 | 20 | 40 | 15 | 30 | 93 | 179 |
| WESTERN DIVISION. | | | | | | | | |
| Queens town | - | - | 2 | 3 | 11 | 28 | 3 | 5 |
| Strahan | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Zeehan | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 79 | 188 |
| Total Western Division: | - | - | 3 | 4 | 13 | 32 | 82 | 193 |
| Total Country Divisions | 287 | 575 | 277 | 574 | 252 | 567 | 915 | 2,034 |
| TOTAL TASMANIA (d) | 693 | 1,714 | 683 | 1,635 | 608 | 1,527 | 2,189 | 5,470 |

(a) Value when completed. (b) Country sections only of these Municipalities.

(c) Building permits not issued in these municipalities. (d) Excludes building permit details for those Municipalities which do not issue permits.

NEW BUILDINGS (OTHER THAN HOUSES).

Note: Values quoted exclude the cost of land on which buildings are erected.

The value of new buildings (other than houses) completed during September quarter 1953, was £756,000 compared with £914,000 during June quarter 1953 and £873,000 during September quarter 1952. Ten new factories valued at £156,000 were completed during the quarter. Other new buildings (included above) completed during the quarter comprised 3 schools, 1 Clinic, 2 offices, 7 Garages, Service Stations etc., 2 Workshops, 9 Halls, Clubs etc., 9 Warehouses and Stores, and 19 others.

During the September quarter 1953, the value of new buildings (other than houses) commenced was £327,000 compared with £353,000 in the June quarter 1953, and £295,000 in September quarter 1952. Construction of 3 new factories valued at £10,000 was commenced during the quarter ended 30th September 1953.

The value of new buildings (other than houses) under construction at 30th September 1953 was £5,534,000 an increase of £338,000 compared with June quarter 1953. Comparative values as at 30th September in preceding years are as follows:- 1952 - £6,212,000; 1951 - £5,511,000; 1950 - £3,699,000; 1949 - £2,108,000; 1948 - £1,522,000; 1947 - £1,000,000; and 1946 - £656,000. The value of new factories under construction at 30th September 1953 was £2,357,000 or 42.6 per cent of the total value of all buildings (other than houses) under construction at that date.

Progress made in the construction of new buildings (other than houses) is shown in the next table.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS (OTHER THAN HOUSES). (Unit : £'000).

| Period | Flats | Shops with Dwelling | Shops Without Dwelling | Hotels, Guest Houses etc. | Factories | Other New Bldgs. | Total New Bldgs. |
|--------------------------|-------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| COMMENCED DURING PERIOD. | | | | | | | |
| 1945-46 (a) | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 1946-47 | 10 | 12 | 39 | 41 | 458 | 304 | 864 |
| 1947-48 | 25 | 26 | 40 | 57 | 311 | 545 | 1,004 |
| 1948-49 | 43 | 36 | 38 | 229 | 454 | 634 | 1,434 |
| 1949-50 | 24 | 36 | 64 | 97 | 899 | 1,420 | 2,540 |
| 1950-51 | 27 | 60 | 123 | 130 | 465 | 2,058 | 2,863 |
| 1951-52 | 29 | 52 | 103 | 332 | 955 | 1,882 | 3,353 |
| 1952-53 | 10 | 39 | 96 | 54 | 218 | 873 | 1,289 |
| 1952-53 - Mar. Qr. | - | 6 | 48 | - | 59 | 202 | 315 |
| June Qr. | - | 11 | 23 | 33 | 88 | 198 | 353 |
| 1953-54 - Sept. Qr. | 40 | 8 | 74 | 9 | 10 | 186 | 327 |
| Total since 1/7/45: | 208 | 269 | 577 | 949 | 3,770 | 7,902 | 13,674 |
| COMPLETED DURING PERIOD. | | | | | | | |
| 1945-46 | - | 3 | 6 | - | 11 | 154 | 174 |
| 1946-47 | 17 | 9 | 12 | 4 | 51 | 187 | 280 |
| 1947-48 | 5 | 16 | 23 | 17 | 310 | 167 | 538 |
| 1948-49 | 29 | 30 | 32 | 107 | 334 | 286 | 818 |
| 1949-50 | 28 | 35 | 66 | 85 | 563 | 380 | 1,157 |
| 1950-51 | 28 | 70 | 74 | 26 | 701 | 778 | 1,677 |
| 1951-52 | 40 | 62 | 152 | 115 | 705 | 1,270 | 2,344 |
| 1952-53 | 36 | 56 | 84 | 370 | 516 | 2,013 | 3,075 |
| 1952-53 - Mar. Qr. | 8 | 25 | 13 | 330 | 162 | 234 | 772 |
| June Qr. | 4 | 17 | 19 | - | 198 | 776 | 914 |
| 1953-54 - Sept. Qr. | - | 5 | 8 | 77 | 156 | 510 | 756 |
| Total since 1/7/45: | 183 | 286 | 457 | 901 | 3,347 | 5,745 | 10,819 |
| UNDER CONSTRUCTION. | | | | | | | |
| 30th June 1946 | 8 | 10 | 6 | 8 | 125 | 180 | 337 |
| " " 1947 | 5 | 16 | 30 | 43 | 533 | 330 | 957 |
| " " 1948 | 24 | 27 | 48 | 81 | 738 | 486 | 1,404 |
| " " 1949 | 33 | 29 | 66 | 211 | 860 | 871 | 2,070 |
| " " 1950 | 32 | 35 | 62 | 169 | 1,222 | 1,818 | 3,338 |
| " " 1951 | 35 | 51 | 113 | 392 | 1,329 | 3,168 | 5,088 |
| " " 1952 | 32 | 55 | 54 | 601 | 1,832 | 3,976 | 6,550 |
| 31st Dec. 1952 | 18 | 70 | 31 | 439 | 1,956 | 3,710 | 6,224 |
| 31st Mar. 1953 | 10 | 51 | 67 | 168 | 1,867 | 3,619 | 5,782 |
| 30th June 1953 | 6 | 46 | 72 | 202 | 1,816 | 3,054 | 5,196 |
| 30th Sep. 1953 | 46 | 50 | 138 | 133 | 2,357 | 2,810 | 5,534 |

(a) Information not collected.

VALUE OF ALL BUILDINGS.

The value of all new buildings (including houses) completed in Tasmania during September quarter 1953, was £2,283,000, a decrease of £320,000 compared with June quarter 1953 and £584,000 less than the September 1952 figure. New houses valued at £1,527,000 comprised 66.9 per cent of the total value of completions during September quarter, 1953.

The value of new buildings commenced during September quarter 1953, was £1,962,000 an increase of £329,000 compared with June 1953 and £358,000 more than the September quarter 1952.

The value of new buildings under construction at 30th September, 1953, was £11,004,000, which is £510,000 more than at 30th June 1953. The corresponding value at 30th September 1952, was £12,924,000.

In comparing these values, due allowance should be made for any movement in building costs.

The following table summarizes the value of all new buildings commenced, completed, and under construction, since 30th June 1946.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF ALL NEW BUILDINGS, TASMANIA.

| Period | Commenced during Period. £'000 | Completed during Period £'000 | Under Construct- ion at end of Period. £'000 |
|----------------------------|---|--|---|
| Year ended 30th June, 1946 | (a) | 627 | 1,403 |
| " " " " 1947 | 2,718 | 1,417 | 2,759 |
| " " " " 1948 | 3,607 | 2,279 | 4,146 |
| " " " " 1949 | 5,371 | 3,810 | 5,872 |
| " " " " 1950 | 8,379 | 5,342 | 8,990 |
| " " " " 1951 | 10,336 | 3,403 | 12,178 |
| " " " " 1952 | 11,104 | 10,511 | 13,770 |
| " " " " 1953 | 6,611 | 10,665 | 10,494 |
| 1952-53 September Quarter | 1,604 | 2,867 | 12,924 |
| December Quarter | 1,441 | 2,700 | 11,981 |
| March Quarter | 1,933 | 2,495 | 11,381 |
| June Quarter | 1,633 | 2,603 | 10,494 |
| 1953-54 September Quarter | 1,962 | 2,283 | 11,004 |

(a) Not available.

6. VALUE OF WORK DONE ON NEW BUILDINGS.

The value of work done on new buildings has been calculated from data collected on builders' returns. According to the information recorded on these returns, the value of work done during the September quarter, 1953, was £2,794,000 compared with £2,591,000 in June quarter 1953, and £2,822,000 in September 1952. Of the September quarter total, £1,760,000 or 63.2 per cent represented value of work done in respect of houses. Hobart and suburbs accounted for £1,054,000 or 37.7 per cent of the total value; Launceston and suburbs for £358,000 or 12.8 per cent and the rest of the State for £1,382,000 or 49.5 per cent.

For details of September quarter 1953 and comparative statements showing figures for each quarter since June 1951, see the following page -

VALUE OF WORK DONE ON NEW BUILDINGS IN TASMANIA DURING SEPTEMBER
QUARTER 1953.

| Description of Building | Hobart | | | Launceston | | | Rest of State | Total Tasmania | Percentage of Total |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|
| | City | Sub-urbs | City & Suburbs | City | Sub-urbs | City & Suburbs | | | |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | % |
| Houses - | | | | | | | | | |
| Brick, Concrete etc. (a) | 126 | 140 | 266 | 62 | 68 | 130 | 200 | 596 | 21.3 |
| Wood | 112 | 475 | 587 | 42 | 68 | 110 | 436 | 1,133 | 40.6 |
| Fibro-Cement | 2 | - | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 31 | 37 | 1.3 |
| Other | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total Houses: | 240 | 615 | 855 | 106 | 138 | 244 | 667 | 1,766 | 63.2 |
| Flats | 3 | 5 | 8 | 4 | - | 4 | - | 12 | .4 |
| Shops with dwell | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 4 | 7 | .2 |
| Shops w/o Dwellgs. | 1 | 7 | 8 | 13 | 1 | 14 | 12 | 34 | 1.2 |
| Hotels, Guest Houses etc. | 6 | - | 6 | 18 | - | 18 | 7 | 31 | 1.1 |
| Factories | 41 | 22 | 63 | 21 | - | 21 | 527 | 611 | 21.8 |
| Other New Bldgs. | 48 | 64 | 112 | 45 | 11 | 56 | 165 | 333 | 11.9 |
| Total Other Bldgs: | 100 | 99 | 199 | 101 | 13 | 114 | 715 | 1,028 | 36.8 |
| Total New Bldgs: | 340 | 714 | 1,054 | 207 | 151 | 358 | 1,382 | 2,794 | 100.0 |
| Percentage of Total: | 12.2 | 25.5 | 37.7 | 7.4 | 5.4 | 12.8 | 49.5 | 1100.0 | |

(a) Includes Veneers.

VALUE OF WORK DONE ON NEW BUILDINGS, TASMANIA - SUMMARY.
(UNIT : £'000).

| Period | Hobart | | | Launceston | | | Rest of State | Total Tasmania. |
|----------------|--------|----------|----------------|------------|----------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | City | Sub-urbs | City & Suburbs | City | Sub-urbs | City & Suburbs | | |
| 1951 Sep. Qtr. | 376 | 811 | 1,187 | 395 | 174 | 569 | 1,380 | 3,136 |
| Dec. Qtr. | 432 | 880 | 1,312 | 453 | 138 | 591 | 1,497 | 3,400 |
| 1952 Mar. Qtr. | 334 | 585 | 919 | 369 | 137 | 506 | 1,221 | 2,646 |
| June Qtr. | 423 | 474 | 897 | 326 | 137 | 463 | 1,333 | 2,693 |
| Sep. Qtr. | 322 | 671 | 993 | 350 | 122 | 472 | 1,357 | 2,822 |
| Dec. Qtr. | 440 | 417 | 857 | 271 | 117 | 388 | 1,310 | 2,555 |
| 1953 Mar. Qtr. | 409 | 457 | 866 | 191 | 85 | 276 | 1,152 | 2,294 |
| June Qtr. | 521 | 633 | 1,154 | 359 | 114 | 473 | 964 | 2,591 |
| Sep. Qtr. | 340 | 714 | 1,054 | 207 | 151 | 358 | 1,382 | 2,794 |

VALUE OF WORK DONE ON NEW BUILDINGS, TASMANIA - SUMMARY.

| Period | New Houses | | Other New Buildings | | All Buildings |
|----------------|------------|------|---------------------|------|---------------|
| | £'000 | % | £'000 | % | |
| 1951 Sep. Qtr. | 2,122 | 67.7 | 1,014 | 32.3 | 3,136 |
| Dec. Qtr. | 2,422 | 71.2 | 978 | 28.8 | 3,400 |
| 1952 Mar. Qtr. | 1,924 | 72.7 | 722 | 27.3 | 2,646 |
| June Qtr. | 1,712 | 63.6 | 981 | 36.4 | 2,693 |
| Sep. Qtr. | 2,001 | 70.9 | 821 | 29.1 | 2,822 |
| Dec. Qtr. | 1,678 | 65.7 | 877 | 34.3 | 2,555 |
| 1953 Mar. Qtr. | 1,624 | 70.8 | 670 | 29.2 | 2,294 |
| June Qtr. | 1,745 | 67.3 | 846 | 32.7 | 2,591 |
| Sep. Qtr. | 1,766 | 63.2 | 1,028 | 36.8 | 2,794 |

7. PERSONS WORKING ON NEW BUILDINGS.

Note: The figures quoted below include estimates for persons working on owner-built houses, but exclude principals and their employees engaged solely on alterations and additions.

There were 5,854 persons including 1,407 working principals engaged on the construction of new buildings at 30th September, 1953. Of these 2,946, were carpenters by trade, 381 bricklayers, and 1,113 builders labourers.

The number of persons engaged at 30th September each year is as follows :- 1946 - 3,139; 1947 - 3,870; 1948 - 4,843; 1949 - 5,906; 1950 - 6,793; 1951 - 7,711; 1952 - 6,162 and 1953 - 5,854. Of the latter number, 4,302 were working on private contract jobs; 750 on owner-built houses, and 802 on Government day labour projects. The returns indicated that 2,808 were working on new houses, 1,653 on other new buildings, 547 on alterations and additions to houses, 464 on alterations and additions to other buildings, and 382 on repair and maintenance work.

WORKERS (a) ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS IN TASMANIA.

| Occupation | 30th June | | | | | | | | 30th September |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|
| | 1946 | 1947 | 1948 | 1949 | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1953 |
| Carpenters | 1,083 | 1,750 | 2,048 | 2,699 | 3,152 | 3,605 | 2,933 | 2,994 | 2,946 |
| Bricklayers | 217 | 257 | 284 | 370 | 402 | 536 | 429 | 396 | 381 |
| Painters | 207 | 214 | 248 | 288 | 360 | 467 | 379 | 400 | 355 |
| Electricians | 79 | 123 | 137 | 161 | 208 | 226 | 170 | 190 | 179 |
| Plumbers | 140 | 150 | 206 | 238 | 266 | 312 | 270 | 261 | 274 |
| Builders' Labourers | 466 | 721 | 770 | 1,172 | 1,303 | 1,603 | 1,313 | 1,133 | 1,113 |
| Others | 322 | 424 | 603 | 642 | 739 | 771 | 523 | 556 | 606 |
| Total Workers | 2,514 | 3,639 | 4,296 | 5,570 | 6,430 | 7,520 | 6,017 | 5,930 | 5,854 |

OCCUPATIONAL STATUS.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Contractors (a) | 330 | 578 | 716 | 913 | 1,159 | 1,153 | 1,000 | 810 | 834 |
| Sub-Contractors (a) | 232 | 297 | 375 | 421 | 506 | 675 | 469 | 567 | 573 |
| Wage Earners | 1,952 | 2,764 | 3,205 | 4,236 | 4,765 | 5,692 | 4,548 | 4,553 | 4,447 |

(a) Actually working on jobs.

8. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED.

Owner-Builder: For the purpose of this Bulletin, and owner-builder is a person who is actually building his own house or is having his house built under his own direction without the services of a Contractor.

Commenced: A building is regarded as having been commenced when work on foundation has begun. Owing to the difficulty of defining the exact point that this represents in building operations, it is probable that interpretations placed upon it by informants are not entirely uniform.

Completed: A building is regarded as having been completed when the builder has fulfilled the terms of the contract. As with commencements, the interpretations placed upon this definition may vary.

Under Construction: A building remaining uncompleted at the end of a period is regarded as being under construction regardless of whether construction was actively proceeding on that particular date.

Employment: The figures of employment relate to persons actually working on new buildings on a specified day. They include working principals, employees, men working as, or for, sub-contractors and men temporarily laid off on account of weather. In addition, they include some employees engaged on alterations, additions, renovations or repairs to buildings when these jobs are undertaken by a contractor who builds new buildings. The figures include estimates for persons working on owner-built houses.

Values: All values shown exclude the value of land and represent the estimated value of buildings on completion.

All figures in this Bulletin relate to the operations of private contractors, Government Authorities and owner-builders.

Figures relate only to the operations of persons who build new buildings.

Alterations, additions, renovations and repairs to buildings are excluded, because of the difficulty in obtaining complete lists of persons who engage in these operations.

Figures for houses exclude converted military huts, flats, and shop dwellings. Some houses built on farms are excluded but these do not affect the figures materially.

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Tasmania Branch,
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Hobart.

Thursday, 3rd December, 1953.

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